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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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James W. LANDES, et al.. ) Group Art Unit: 3618  
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Application No.: 09/977,726 ) Examiner: Brian SWENSON  
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**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 3, 2003, the period for response being extended to February 3, 2004 by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendments section of this paper.

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